

# ***ConneCT Kid's Committee***

## **Meeting Minutes**

*April 20, 2001  
2:00 PM*

*Department of Information Technology, East Hartford*

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Attendees: Beverly Brown, Al Duran, Linda DeConti, Sandra Donager, Dick Hemenway, Karen Kaplan, Deanna Paugas, Miriam Rodriguez

Guest Attendees: Joanne and Fouad Tawfilis

1. Joanne and Fouad Tawfilis of the 3 Mile Mural project, brought in additional materials from the murals project, pictures, sample cards and a notbook for the 2003 International Children's Concerence on the Environment. Joanne stated that she will be sending the written material on diskette, and Fouad will be sending the graphic files. They will be begin sending that material as soon as possible, and Linda DeConti will begin assembling sample pages. This material will gn in the Spotlight section.
2. Dick Hemenway reported that his office has mailed approximately 25,000 promotional bookmarks Some orders are still being received.
3. The committee discussed the proposed Youth/Teen section logos as created by Al Duran and Linda DeConti. The discussion was tabled, see item 4.
4. Several members of the committee proposed that we hold another forum for students, teachers, parents and interested parties to guide us in the development of the Youth/Teen section. The committee adopted this suggestion. Dick Hemenway was to contact Pat Estill concerning a possible date in June. See Note 1
5. Miriam Rodriguez reported that she will be meeting on April 23, with Gary Najarian, head of the Connecticut Coalition to Stop Underage Drinking, to discuss posting material on our proposed new pages. Miriam will report at the next meeting.
6. Dick Hemenway presented opinions and information from Ed Fitch regarding the title for the new Youth/Teen site and the summer jobs postings. There was no discussion of this information due to the motion to have another forum to discuss all issues. See Note 1.

7. Next meeting date and time – The next meeting is set for May 25, 2001, 1:00pm at DOIT, 101 East River Drive, East Hartford.

#### NOTE 1

I called Pat Estill and asked her to make inquiries about holding another forum at the LOB. The forum would be taped for broadcast by CTN as was the first one. Pat did make some calls, and has determined that it would not be feasible to organize a forum of this type for the middle of June. It was suggested that we plan for sometime in the fall, after the schools are back in session. I have asked Pat to begin looking into this and start making tentative arrangements.

In light of this, I strongly believe that we should create the new site using the best logos we can agree on, and post the existing material under the new sections. Many committee members are working on new material, and I believe that we will waste the momentum that currently exists if projects are left over the summer. I also believe that it will be advantageous to have a basic structure to present to the forum, and from which ask for suggestions for improvements. This will give a better focus to the forum and will help define our legitimate role.

We will, of course, discuss this at our next meeting, but I urge all committee members who are working on projects for the new sections to continue.

Dick Hemenway

ConneCT Kids Committee Chair

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